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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Tokio KAMIMURA :  
Serial No.: 09/878,207 : Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: June 12, 2001 : Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND COMMUNICATION METHOD USING  
ANIMATION AND SERVER AS WELL AS TERMINAL DEVICE USED  
THEREFOR

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 14, line 10 with the following rewritten paragraph:

*a)* [0070] Then, the obtained three-dimensional shape data are converted into a structured three-dimensional model. For the conversion, it is possible to employ methods disclosed in Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication 8-297751 and Japanese Unexamined Patent Publication No. 11-328440, and a method disclosed in Japanese Patent Application NO. 2000-90629, filed in the Japanese Patent Office by the assignee of the present application, for example.